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Public Meeting for Updated I-55 Managed Lanes Project

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation will host a public meeting Dec. 6 to share updates and collect feedback on proposed changes to the Interstate 55 managed lanes project. The department recently updated the project plans to include a second managed lane in each direction of I-55 between Interstate 294 (Tri-State Tollway) and Interstate 90/94 (Dan Ryan Expressway).

The meeting will be in an open-house format at the following time and location:

Wednesday, Dec. 6

4 - 7 p.m.Toyota Park Stadium Club 7000 Harlem Ave. Bridgeview, Ill. 60455

The state received federal approval in 2016 to build one managed lane in each direction of I-55 between Interstate 355 near Bolingbrook to I-90/94 in Chicago. The revised project proposes to add the second managed lane north of the Tri-State Tollway within the existing IDOT right of way. The additional capacity will make it easier to maintain consistent, reliable speeds and travel times for all I-55 users. No funding has been identified for construction, but IDOT continues to pursue the project as a public-private partnership.

Exhibits will be on display and an audio-visual presentation will be shown continuously during the meeting. Project team members will be available to discuss the project and answer questions. Written comments can be submitted at the meeting, mailed afterward or submitted via the project website www.i55managedlaneproject.org.

The meeting is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Anyone needing specific assistance should contact Leisa Niemotka of Images, Inc., at (630) 510-3944, ext. 115. Persons planning to attend who will need a sign language interpreter or other similar accommodations should notify the TTY/TTD number (800) 526-0844 or 711; TTY users (Español) (800) 501-0864 or 711; and for Telebraille dial (877) 526-6670 at least five days prior to the meeting.